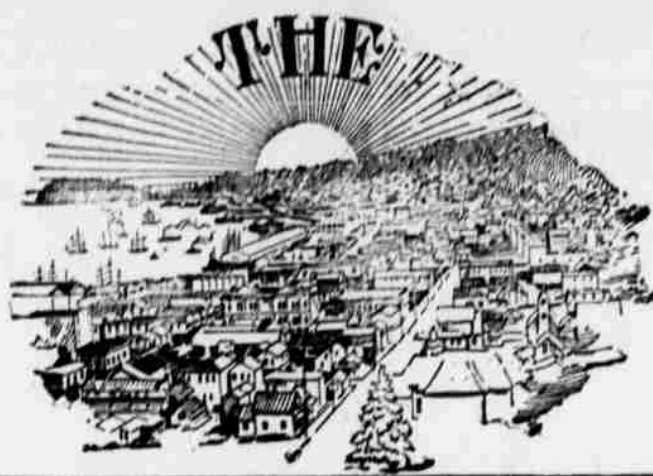


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UNIVERSITY NEGLECTED

State Institution is Far
Below Standard.

EQUIPMENT INADEQUATE

Receives Less Money than Any
Similar State School in
America.

INSTRUCTORS ARE ILL PAID

Committee on Ways and Means Will
Recommend Appropriation Near-
ly Treble Those Given in
the Past.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 7.—A State University that is 10 years behind the times in Oregon's chief educational institution; a university pretending to cover the general educational field with an equipment worth less than \$25,000; appropriations so miserably in the past that subterfuges were resorted to in the way of special appropriations to secure money enough to run the school, and cash appropriated for special purposes diverted to maintenance; more students going to schools outside the state than from any other commonwealth in the Union, according to population; less money appropriated for higher education than by any state in the Union, regardless of size, population or wealth; instructors paid less than any Western university has had the effrontery to offer. These are some of the things the ways and means committee were told yesterday afternoon when it wrestled with the question of boosting the University of Oregon budget from \$45,000 a year to \$125,000, the appropriation to be a blanket one, to last indefinitely, and to be expended for all university needs as the regents see fit.

Senator Bingham and Representatives Carter and Eaton, as members of the committee and as representatives of the state educational institutions, presented the cause of the university. These members admitted that instead of the \$45,000 appropriated for the running of the school it was costing nearer \$75,000, and that it would cost this amount from now on every year to pay salaries and wages. The school wants additional land that will cost \$25,000; a girls' dormitory that will cost twice as much more; equipment to the amount of \$30,000 a year, and material additions to the library and chemical laboratory.

"The people of the state will say that we can better afford to pay the expenses of our students at Leland Stanford than to keep up the school at this rate," said Smith of Marion, when it was discovered that the appropriation meant about \$400 for every student at the school. "I don't think we can appropriate that amount at a single jump, the state can't afford it," he continued.

"It will take 10 years at this rate of expense to get our university up to where the schools of adjoining states are already," said Senator Bingham, and again, the needs of the institution were threshed over.

The committee decided to recommend that the entire appropriation be allowed, and this will be added to the already big list of boosted appropriations.

To date no material appropriation asked has been turned down by the committee, the chief saving having been the lopping off of \$50,000 from the \$150,000 asked for the Seattle fair

and to date there has not been an appropriation considered by the committee that has not been much greater than it has in years past.

HOLDS UP BIDDING
Government Delayed by Opposition
of Engineer Stevens.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The administration has been brought face to face with the alternative of rejecting all bids for the construction of the Panama canal by contract or losing the services of Chief Engineer Stevens, and this is the cause of the delay of the President, Secretary Taft and Chairman Shonts in acting on the Oliver bid. An effort has been made to get Stevens to change his mind, but he has continued obdurate and indications are that the administration will accede to his request and that the construction will be continued by the government. This information caused some surprise as Stevens testified before the Senate Canal Committee that he favored building the canal by contract.

WIDOW ARRESTED.
Coroner's Jury Holds Her Responsible
for Murder of Husband.

SEATTLE, Feb. 7.—The coroner's jury today found that John Jackson came to his death from a knife wound in the heart. The jury recommended that Ruth Jackson, the dead man's widow, be held for further action by the prosecuting attorney. The coroner's warrant has been issued for her formal arrest. Jackson's body was found last Friday with his wife in a state of intoxication lying across the corpse.

NOTARIES PAY MORE

Must Contribute Ten Dollars to
State and Give Bonds.

DO NOT HAVE TO BE LAWYERS

Original Bill Providing Persons Having
Notarial Commission Must Be
Admitted to Practice Before
Supreme Court Amended.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 7.—Occasionally a joker is pruned. Northup has decided that notaries public do not have to be admitted to practice to the supreme court, and when House bill 339 comes up for consideration again it will be a somewhat different measure from the one that went into the revision of laws committee. The original bill made it necessary for every man having a notarial commission to be admitted to practice before the supreme court of Oregon. The revised bill will drop this provision entirely and will only make the applicants for this commission pay a fee of \$10 and give a heavy enough bond to insure their being responsible persons.

When Portland discovered that about three-fourths of its notaries would be robbed of their commissions if the Northup bill became an act, a protest went up that reached Salem and after standing the siege for a couple of days, Northup gave in and removed the obnoxious clause.

WILL IMPRISON OFFICERS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 7.—The emperor has confirmed the sentences passed by the court martial on Vice Admiral Nebogoff and other naval officers tried. Nebogoff will be kept in a fortress for ten years, and others for varying periods.

ROOSEVELT TO ALASKA.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—President Roosevelt hopes to visit Alaska on a hunting trip after his presidential term expires. He expressed his desire today to Robert W. Wiley, who has spent 17 years in that country.

FEAR FLOOD NO MORE

Portland Expects Crest to
Pass Tonight.

RIVER WILL THEN FALL

Thaw Reaches Eastern Oregon
Just in Time to Save
Live Stock.

ROADS RESUMING TRAFFIC

Flood Along Willamette Has Been Very
Free From Serious Damage, Most
Serious Loss Being Big Log
Boom.

PORTLAND, Feb. 7.—At midnight tonight it is expected that the crest of the flood resultant upon the recent thaw in the Willamette Valley will have passed Portland and thence forth it is predicted that the river will fall. In eastern Oregon and along the Columbia, the rivers were bank-full today, but no danger of serious floods is anticipated. On the other hand, the thaw reached the Eastern Oregon stock grazing district in the nick of time to save thousands of dollars worth of stock from starving. Railroads, too, are slowly getting order out of chaos and everything bids fair for the resumption of normal traffic conditions within the next twenty-four hours.

The Southern Pacific has resumed its schedules and the O. R. & N. broke a track through to Bonneville and released all their west bound passengers who were brought to Portland today by boats. According to officials of the road the only obstruction remaining between Hunting and Portland is a stretch to the west of Bonneville, which will be cleared by tomorrow afternoon.

The flood in the Willamette valley has been singularly free from destruction, the most serious loss reported today being that of a 3,000,000 feet boom of logs, which broke from its moorings near Oregon City.

PASS INDIAN BILL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The Indian Appropriation bill received rough handling by the Senate today. The amendments of the committee, especially those suggested by the special committee which went to the Indian Territory last summer to investigate the conditions, were nearly all rejected on points of order. The provision which allowed full blood Indians to sell their surplus lands was defeated, which leaves in force the law prohibiting the alienation of such lands for 25 years.

ACTRESS WILL NATURALIZE.

SPOKANE, Feb. 7.—Olga Nether-sole, the actress, announced last night that she is to become a naturalized American citizen and that she may take out her first papers in Spokane next October. She states that she has invested about \$150,000 in Washington real estate and expects to make the Northwest her home.

SUCCUMBS TO WOUNDS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Another was added to the list of victims yesterday of the bursting of the ammonia pipe in the plant of Armour & Company a week ago, when Freeman Hunt, a brick layer, died at the hospital, increasing the number to thirteen.

CONSIDER HOUSE LAW.
Meeting of Privy Japanese Council
Did Not Concern America.

TOKIO, Feb. 7.—Strict secrecy is necessarily observed in regard to all matters submitted for consideration to the privy council, but in order to clear up any doubt of misapprehension at this critical time, the Associated Press is in a position to state that the subject of deliberation at the meeting of the council on Tuesday last was the amended Imperial house law. This measure is the result of years of hard work by a special commission under the presidency of Marquis Ito and the vice presidency of Baron Miyoshi. Marquis Ito was assisted by several prominent jurists.

EXTEND LOATING RAILROAD.

NEW CHWANG, Feb. 7.—Land has been bought from the Chinese here under military compulsion by the Japanese administration and handed over to the South Manchurian Railway, extending its concessions. This road will be under military rule with ten councillors to be selected by the governor. The Loating Railway is extending its concessions at all stations which will injure foreign interests.

CHINOOK SAVES STOCK.

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 7.—A Chouteau, Mont., dispatch to the Miner says that a chinook or warm wind, blew closely in the wake of the terrific blizzard of two days ago. This chinook is blowing as far north in Chouteau county as the Canadian frontier and will do much towards preventing further loss of stock.

FOR PARTY POLITICS

Senate Bill Partially Nullifies
Statement Number One.

BLOW AT DIRECT PRIMARIES

Measure Passed by Senate Pledges
Members of Legislature to Vote for
Choice of Party for United
States Senator.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 7.—Government for Republicans, with Republicans and by Republicans, instead of by the people, was the expression of the Senate this morning when Miller of Linn made a minority report on Senate bill 112, Bailey, by which statement one was nullified so legislative candidates of their party for United States senator receiving the highest vote, instead of for candidates receiving the largest popular vote. The bill was intended to prevent Governor Chamberlain being elected senator by a Republican legislature, no matter how much he might defeat an opponent and was a direct blow to the primary law.

The vote to adopt the minority report, preventing a change to the direct primary law, follows:

Ayes—Bingham, Caldwell, Coshaw, Hedges, Miller of Linn, Mult, Nottingham, Smith of Umatilla, Haines.

Noes—Bailey, Beach, Booth, Cooke, Coles, Hart, Johnson, Kay, Laugharty, Laycock, McDonald, Miller of Marion, Scholfield, Sichel, Smith of Marion.

GENEROUS TERMS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The Senate today passed a bill providing that no homestead entry upon public lands shall be canceled because of the failure of the entrymen thereon to reside upon the land during the winter months.

FOUR DROWNED.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 7.—Four people were drowned this afternoon when the gasoline launch Cyrene struck the draw of the railroad bridge across the Sacramento and capsized.

TELLS TALE OF RUIN

Thaw's Wife Reveals Sec-
ret to Save Husband.

APPEAL MOVES COURT

Pitiful Story of Evelyn Nesbitt's
Shame Affects the
Audience.

THAW FINALLY BREAKS DOWN

Murder Trial Reaches Most Sensational
Pitch When Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw
Tells of the Crime Against Her
Committed by White.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw told her story today. To save the life of her husband she bared to the world the innermost secrets of her soul. It was the same story she told Harry Thaw in Paris in 1902, when he asked her to become his wife, the confession of one who felt that there was an insurmountable barrier to her ever becoming the bride of the man she loved. In the big witness chair she appeared but a slip of a girl, and she told the pitiful story of her eventful young life in a frank, girlish way. When the tears came unbidden to her big brown eyes and slowly trickled down her cheeks, she strove in vain to keep them back. As the young wife unfolded the narrative of her girlhood and told of the early struggles of herself and mother to keep body and soul together; of how gaunt poverty stood ever at the door, and how she finally was able to earn a living by posing for photographers and artists, she won the murmured sympathy of the throng which filled every available space in the courtroom. Then came the relation of the wreck of that girlhood at sixteen years of age.

It was the story of her meeting Stanford White. The story of sumptuous studio apartments, whose dingy exterior gave no hint of luxurious furnishings within; of a velvet covered swing in which one could swing until slipped toes crashed through the paper of the Japanese parasol swung from the ceiling; the story of a glass of champagne, of black, swirling sensations, and then mirrored bedroom walls, in short, she told the story of her ruin.

Harry Thaw, his whole frame shaking, sat with his head buried in his hands, a handkerchief covering his eyes.

Thus Thaw sat for many minutes, and when he lifted his head his eyes were red and swollen. The jurors had no eyes for the prisoner. They had turned their gaze from the witness as tears came to her voice, as well as her eyes, and each man of the twelve seemed intent upon some object on the floor by him. Justice Fitzgerald looked out of the iron grated windows. The scene and the story marked a new precedent in the history of criminal proceedings in New York.

Mrs. Thaw was still on the stand, her direct examination uncompleted, when the day was done.

In letters to Frederick Longfellow, introduced today, Thaw told of his coming marriage to Miss Nesbitt and of the "row they want to raise." Disconnected and jerky, jumping from subject to subject, they nevertheless show the love Thaw bore for the girl, and he wanted among other things that provision should be made that all his property should go to her in case of his death. The letters con-

stantly referred to "that blackguard, who poisoned her as a girl," and saying her name was falsely connected with two others besides, "that blackguard."

Mrs. Thaw's evidence contained a tribute to her husband. She testified: "He said: 'You know I never lied to you,' and he never had."

She paid her husband another tribute: "When I told him the story, he came to me and picked up the hem of my skirt and kissed it, and said he would always love me. He nearly always called me his angel. We sat together that night until daylight, talking the matter over. The effect on Harry was terrible."

She next testified to White's having sent her to school in New Jersey in 1902-03, of an operation, the nature of which the doctors would not tell her, and when she recovered how Thaw arranged to send her abroad to recuperate.

While the jury was on its way to court this morning a snow shoveler in the street shouted, "Vote for Thaw." He was promptly arrested and taken before Justice Fitzgerald, but was allowed to go after a severe reprimand.

DEFEAT COMMISSION BILL.

Railroad Measure Does Not Please So-
lons of Idaho.

BOISE, Feb. 7.—After a stirring debate in the House, the fight on the railroad commission bill closed this afternoon with the defeat of the measure, 22 for and 25 against, with one absent and two paired. It is stated that another measure will be brought in that commands the support of some of those who opposed this one.

WITNESS EXAMINED

Commission Has Hearing at Los
Angeles on Harriman Merger.

MANY NEW FACTS ELICITED

Brother of Senator Clark Tells How
Their Railroad Was Forced to Sell
Half Interest in Property to
Harriman.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 7.—The first day of the Interstate Commerce Commission hearing in Los Angeles on the subject of the Harriman merger was consumed in the direct examination of a single witness, J. Ross Clark, brother of United States Senator Clark, director and second vice president of the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad. A great mass of new facts were elicited. Although hampered occasionally by his lack of knowledge of technical details of the business, Clark proved a willing witness.

The most important fact brought out was that showing the reason and necessity from the viewpoint of the Clarks for the disposal of one-half of their road to Harriman. It was shown that while building their line, the Oregon Short Line, a Harriman property, so harassed and retarded their progress, and finally getting possession of the only available pass in the mountains, compelled Clark's road to come to terms, sell them one-half of their property and make an iron-clad agreement to maintain the same local freight rates as the Harriman lines for a period of ninety-nine years. As a final act of coercion of the Clarks, Harriman interests began a survey of a road between Salt Lake and Los Angeles, and implied, at least so Clark testified, a threat of building a parallel line.

DIAMONDS MORE COSTLY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—A general advance in the price of diamonds was announced yesterday in cable dispatches received by importers who buy the DeBeers stones in the rough.